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UPDATE: Charges Dismissed Against Teen in Inglewood Double Murder

Prosecutors announced today that they were unable to proceed with the prosecution of People v. Justin Marquis Scott (YA088614).

Based upon newly discovered evidence, prosecutors said they could not prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant committed the charged crimes.

Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Victor Wright of Inglewood Branch dismissed the case. The crime remains under investigation by the Inglewood Police Department.

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Teen Charged with Double Murder in Inglewood

A 19-year-old Compton man was charged today with capital murder in the Oct. 8 double homicide of his ex-girlfriend, her boyfriend's grandmother and the attempted murder of her boyfriend, the District Attorney's Office announced.

Justin Marquis Scott (dob 6-25-94) is scheduled to be arraigned sometime after 1:30 p.m. at Los Angeles Superior Court, Inglewood Branch, Department 5. He is charged in case YA088614. Prosecutors will ask that he be held without bail.

Prosecutors said Scott allegedly confronted his ex-girlfriend and her boyfriend about 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday in the 11700 block of S. Crenshaw Boulevard. He fatally shot 18-year-old Crystallyn Nguyen and the 64-year-old grandmother of Nguyen's boyfriend, Dora Dawson, who tried to protect her grandson. Dawson's 22-year-old grandson survived the attack.

Prosecutors filed two counts of murder with the special circumstance of multiple murders, and one count of attempted murder. A decision on whether to seek the death penalty will be made at a later date.

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